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SMV continued during the month of April. Approximately 40 carloads of structural steel, temporary building sections, small bridge structures, machine tools, and electric motors were shipped from the SMV warehouses in Vienna XX and Wiener Neudorf to the Meszhart docks in Vienna. A part of this material consisted of dismantled buildings and equipment from the premises of the Voessendorf refinery, but none of the equipment of the refinery itself was included. The shipments were stored in the open; and loading of barges for shipment down the Danube to unknown destinations began almost immediately.

2. Eight hundred tons of scrap iron from SMV warehouses and dumps in Lobau were sold to the Roth firm in Linz for 12 groschen per kilogram, and consisted chiefly of tank tracks, artillery pieces, pipe, and steel girders. MITTEL-MANN, SMV sales purchasing official, is now attempting to sell the remaining SMV stocks of scrap iron to Voest in Linz. Large quantities of scrap which had been stored at the Meszhart docks for sale and shipment to Hungary have been diverted for this purpose.
3. The current value of stocks in the SMV warehouse at Lobau is 3,250,000 schillings, part of which are as follows:
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| 1,500 schillings, Czech-made work clothing  |
| 1,400,000 schillings, lead, saws, pipes, and spare parts  |
| 350,000 schillings, drills and industrial diamonds. Specifications incorrectly list these drills as being coated with Widia steel, and no purchasers have been found. |

Equipment and installations connected with the now-abandoned project for a Danube-Vltava-Oder canal are being shipped to the SMV warehouse in Lobau for sale. Pipe used in other projects in the Winter Hafen, Vienna, including lead, tin, and steel pipe, is being salvaged and cut into 10 meter

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in Basle and shipped via the Czech transportation company Metrans. SMV warehouses in Schwechat, Moosbierbaum, Lobau, and Prottes were cleared of available boiler pipe, which was then accumulated at the Dobermannsdorf freight yards for shipment by Juschwneschtrans to Metrans and thence to General Transport, Basle.

### Purchases

- 25X1X 6. [REDACTED] drilling in the Maustrank area has been hampered by a shortage of Widia-plated drilling equipment. Mannesmann-Trauzl, Vienna, supplies approximately 10 kilograms of Widia steel per week, but this does not cover the requirements of the field, and an order was placed with a firm in Plansee, Tirol, for 1,000 kilograms of Widia steel. The first shipment of 100 kilograms of this order arrived in Vienna from Plansee on 25 April. \*
7. The firm Pointner & Rothschaedl, Salzburg, is a new intermediary used by the SMV for purchases of hydrochloric acid (Salzsaure) from Brizone. The acid arrives in Salzburg addressed to "Chemia" Chemikalien G.m.b.H. and is shipped from there to Neusiedl. The first tank car of acid arrived over this route on 27 April.
8. A number of orders which had been placed by the SMV for materials needed in production and refining processes were cancelled during April due to lack of funds. The following is a list of the larger purchases made by the SMV Central Purchasing Office on Schottengasse during the month of April:\*\*

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Purchase</u>	<u>Paid</u> (Schillings)
K.J. Baldauf	Construction material	-21,226
Tendloff-Vamag	Valves	12,620
	Pistons	23,468
Siemens-Schuckert	Transformers	13,651
Kapsch & Söhne	8-phase valve condensers	16,800
Aga-Werke A.G.	Acids (on account)	25,342
Kellner & Kunz	Tools	10,108
Eisen-und Stahl A.G.	Angle and flat iron	13,904
Plansee Metallwerke	40 bars, Widia steel	Not yet paid
Gustav Zwarzel	Electrical equipment	10,894
Vida, Grosshandel-Import Export	100 cast armatures	18,145
Robert Nissl	3 batteries	10,656
Weichmann's Nachfolger	Large shafts (Weitstrahler)	20,665
Donau-Chemikalien-Verkaufs GmbH	165 tons sulphuric acid	150,000
Ing. Theodor Petrina	Barite	12,516
Draht-und Drahtwarenhandels	Cable	29,987
"Chemia" Chemikalien G.m.b.H.	2 carloads caustic soda	
	1 carload hydrochloric acid	28,205***

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Comment: This firm is apparently Plansee Metallwerke, Reutte, Tirol, [REDACTED]

\*\* [REDACTED] Con [REDACTED] at individual firms under the jurisdiction of [REDACTED] matters pertaining to purchases and [REDACTED] a later report to the effect that all purchases made through the SMV Central Purchasing Office on Schottengasse. According to the source of this report, the Schottengasse office now makes purchases amounting to more than 3,000 schillings, but smaller orders may still be made by the separate firms.

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\*\*\* [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] a complete list of suppliers for the SMV.

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